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1. [redacted], Gates Lloyd, [redacted] and I met with Gen. Cabell and [redacted] to discuss Recommendation 1 of the Killian Committee. This recommendation has to do with early warnings. An ad hoc committee, of which Gen. [redacted] is a member, has been appointed to study this problem and it now appears they will recommend a National Intelligence Authority, of which the Director will probably be the Chairman. From a Communications point of view the National Intelligence Authority will have a mechanism to insure that "critical" intelligence will have priority on all existing networks. However, an additional signal center and personnel, both in Washington and in the field will be necessary. Estimates are not firm, but anywhere from 50 people upwards to several hundred will be necessary and a capital expenditure of several million dollars will be involved. Earlier discussions had indicated that Gen. [redacted] might be the Director of Communications for the National Intelligence Authority in addition to his other duties and that CIA might get stuck for all of the personnel and all of the funds. After Gen. [redacted] reviewed this situation with Gen. Cabell I explained that I felt strongly that CIA should not pick up this tab if there was any way to avoid it. I emphasized that this would be still another case in which we would take on an additional financial and personnel burden without gaining any intelligence or operations officers on the foreign line. Gen. [redacted] needed guidance for his next ad hoc committee meeting and after further discussion it was agreed that we would favor having NSA run this communications system at least in order to give us time to see what needs to be done. Insofar as the long-range program was concerned, including money and the personnel, we would feel that participating IAC agencies should share these burdens. I asked Gen. Cabell if he would object if we could get the Defense Department to take the whole burden and he said he would and that he felt the Agency should have capital stock in such an undertaking.

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2. Bob Macy telephoned to say that Hart Perry would be leaving the Bureau of the Budget for another assignment (presumably with the State Department). Inasmuch as Macy and [redacted] will be going on a trip to the Far East, leaving about 20 January, he wanted to have his Deputy, Edmund C. Hutchison cleared so that we could do business with him during Macy's absence. I have asked [redacted] Office of Security, to look into this and let me know. He also said that in working with [redacted] he thought they would narrow down a list of things they wanted to look into before they left Washington. He did say, however, in his talk with Stans, he wanted to evaluate certain programs and projects to determine whether we are getting our money's worth. I explained to Macy that I did not see how he was going to do this in view of the aspect of operations. I told him that I had tried to insure everyone that he was only in the management control of our various projects and programs. I warned him that if he got over the line into operations he was strictly on his own as far as I was concerned.

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3. Macy also called to say that they were still waiting for an answer in connection with the [redacted] I got in touch with [redacted] absence and asked him to prepare a paper for the Director's approval to use in further dealing with the Bureau of the Budget on this matter.

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4. [redacted] who has just returned from [redacted] was in to see me and said that, from a Support point of view, [redacted] had excellent personnel and excellent facilities -- in fact, our Support personnel were far better than the operations personnel.

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6. [redacted] was in to see me about the project he is working on which will recommend that some organization [redacted] undertake a program of systems analysis in the intelligence field. This would require about a year and would involve the expenditure of some \$200,000 to \$300,000. I told him that as a practical matter I thought Defense Department and CIA were probably the only organizations which could or would come up with any money for this project and that I would recommend that a letter from the Director to the Secretary of Defense make the proposal and suggest that the cost be shared, by Defense and CIA. I told him I would assure the Director that we could provide part or all of the funds if he feels that it is appropriate.

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7. George Carey telephoned for guidance on overtime for his employees who are accompanying the [redacted] He has just had one man return from a 23-day trip after which he claimed 200 hours of overtime. I told George that unless there was a question as to the validity of this request to go ahead and pay it and that I would give him some guidance on how to handle future cases. I have asked [redacted] to look into this and give me the Comptroller's recommendation at an early date.

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